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SOYBEAN INSPECTIONS SHOW SEASONAL DECREASE IN DECEMBER

Receipts of soybeans inspected in December decreased seasonally to 3,464 cars compared with 24,782 cars in November and 29,489 cars in October, and 3,898 cars in December 1944, according to inspectors' reports to the Grain Branch of the Production and Marketing Administration. December inspections brought the total for the first three months of the season to 57,735 cars compared with 53,172 cars for the same months in 1944.

The quality of soybeans inspected in December was considerably below that for the preceding month, only 77 percent grading No. 2 or better compared with 92 percent in November and 93 percent in October, and 84 percent in December 1944.

Inspections of soybeans in December included the equivalent of 200-cars inspected as cargo lots and truck receipts equivalent to about 54 cars.

Soybeans: Inspected receipts, December 1945, in carlots 1/.

Class		: No.1:	: No. 2.:	Grade :	: No. 4 :8	:-	Total December 1945	Total Oct. 1 to Dec. 31
Yellow Green Brown Black Mixed	:	1,759: 2: 12: 25: 8:	815: - : 3: 46: 14:	532: - : 1: 16: 41:	91: -: 1: 6: 7:	79: - : - : 1: 5:	3,276: 2: 17: 94: 75:	56,695 69 34 505 432
Total cars Percentages	:	1,806: 52:	878 <b>:</b> 25 <b>:</b>	590: 17:	105:	85: 3:	3,464:	
OctDec. 1945 Percent		41,140: 71:		3,575: 6:	818:	284:	:	57,735 100
OctDec. 1944 Percent		28,450: 54:	•	5,566: 10:	1,230:	494: 1:	:	53,172 100

<sup>1/</sup> Cargo and truck receipts converted to carlots on basis of 1,650 bushels equal 1 carlot.

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